

IN THE CLAIMS:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listing of claims, in the Application.

1. Cancelled
2. (Cancelled)
3. (Cancelled)
4. (Currently amended) A method for entitlement management comprising:

responsive to a request for a service, determining if a recipient identified in said request is entitled to said service; if said recipient is entitled to said service, delivering said service, wherein said step of determining if said recipient is entitled to said service comprises:

comparing a set of administrator-configurable package profile attributes values associated with a package of services containing said service with corresponding values for said recipient; ~~The method of claim 4 further comprising:~~ determining if said service includes a limited number of accesses; and if said service includes a limited number of accesses, decrementing a tracking count associated with the service.

5. (Cancelled)
6. (Cancelled)
7. (Cancelled)
8. (Cancelled)
9. (Original) The method of claim 4 further comprising:

logging a delivery of said service;  
decrementing a number of available instances of said service if said service has a limited usage count; and  
sending a message to said recipient indicating said recipient is not entitled to said service if the limited usage count has been consumed.

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10. (Cancelled)

11. (Cancelled)

12. (Cancelled)

13. (Currently amended) A computer program product embodied in a tangible storage medium, the program product comprising programming instructions for entitlement management, the programming instructions for:

responsive to a request for a service, determining if a recipient identified in said request is entitled to said service; if said recipient is entitled to said service, delivering said service, wherein said programming instructions for determining if said recipient is entitled to said service comprises programming instructions for comparing a set of administrator-configurable package attributes values associated with a package of services containing said service with corresponding values for said recipient; The computer program product of claim 10 further comprising programming instructions for:

determining if said service includes a limited number of accesses; and if said service includes a limited number of accesses, decrementing a tracking count associated with the service.

14. (Cancelled)

15. (Cancelled)

16. (Cancelled)

17. (Cancelled)

18. (Original) The computer program product of claim 13 further comprising programming instructions for:

logging a delivery of said service;  
decrementing a number of available instances of said service if said service has a limited usage count; and

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sending a message to said recipient indicating said recipient is not entitled to said service. if the limited usage count has been consumed.

19. (Cancelled)

20. (Cancelled)

21. (Cancelled)

22. (Currently amended) A data processing system for entitlement management comprising:

circuitry operable for, responsive to a request for a service, determining if a recipient identified in said request is entitled to said service; if said recipient is entitled to said service, delivering said service, wherein said programming instructions for determining if said recipient is entitled to said service comprises programming instructions for comparing a set of administrator-configurable package attributes values associated with a package of services containing said service with corresponding values for said recipient; The data processing system of claim 19 further comprising:

circuitry operable for determining if said service includes a limited number of accesses; and

circuitry operable for, if said service includes a limited number of accesses, decrementing a tracking count associated with the service.

23. (Cancelled)

24. (Cancelled)

25. (Cancelled)